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FOR: DOWN-REGULATED RESISTANT C3 CONVERTASE

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

This is in response to the Rejection mailed January 30, 2003; response to which is due April 30, 2003. Complete review of Applicant's remarks, entry of the amendments, and reconsideration of the rejection is respectfully requested.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 49, renumber Table 1 as "Table I"

Page 66, renumber Table 1 as "Table II".

IN THE CLAIMS

Delete all claims 1, 37, and 51-56.

Insert the following claim 57.

57. (New) A DNA sequence coding for a modified human C3 protein which is capable of forming a stable C3 convertase wherein said modified protein is selected from the group consisting of: